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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: MIA Cases - Fecteau, Richard G.
Downey, John T.

1. On Tuesday, 1 December 1953, a meeting was convened in the Office of the Personnel Director for discussion and review of the subject cases to determine the present status of Downey and Fecteau as required by the "Missing Persons Act." The meeting was attended



2. [] reviewed the circumstances surrounding the disappearance of subject employees, asking [] to clear up some of the grey areas of the details. [] filled in some of the voids and details of these two cases and, in conclusion, stated it was the firm belief of FE Division that these two men are dead.

3. [] stated it was his opinion that, under the circumstances of the disappearance of subject employees in their particular area, and not having heard of their existence during the past twelve months, it was reasonable to assume that they are not now alive.

4. It was agreed, therefore, that Richard G. Fecteau and John T. Downey should, for the purposes of the "Missing Persons Act," be officially declared to be dead as of 4 December 1953.

5. It was understood that the Personnel Office would prepare appropriate declarations of death in the subject cases for the signature of the Acting Personnel Director. These declarations will be sent to the survivors of Downey and Fecteau by appropriate covering letters.

6. It was further agreed that Personnel would work with the Office of the Comptroller and/or the General Counsel's Office, as appropriate, in arranging for the transmission of pertinent docu-

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ments to General Accounting Office, Bureau of Employees' Compensation, Social Security Administration and in the handling of other necessary administrative details.

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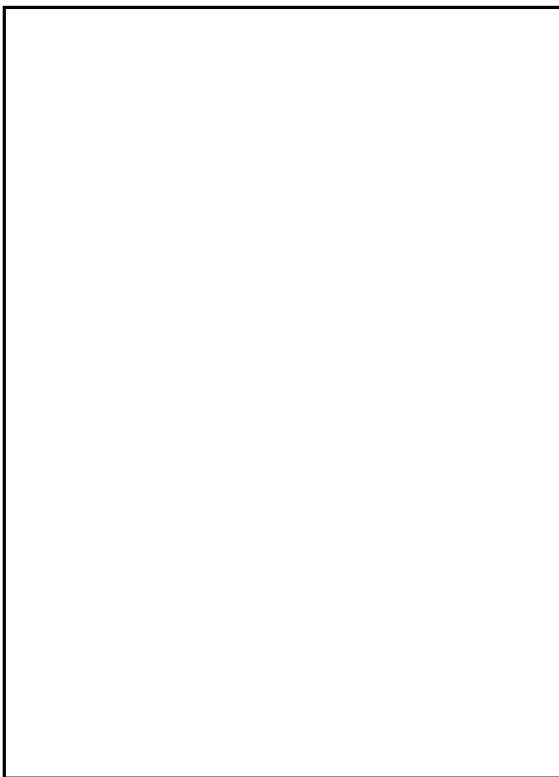


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